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them at their merry-makings and with all who love them

## THE FIRST CHRISTMAS.

should be taxed. (And this taxing was

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe

lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them in rapid process of improvement. by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it

was told unto them. ...... MORE ABOUT POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS.

Under the bill reported in the Sonate has just gone up in smoke. It isn't ctten that an ordinary conflagration has a chance to burn up Joe's money.

wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord thone, around about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear act for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all jeeple. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe and in swaddling clothes, and the city is the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be assign unto you; Ye shall find the babe are controlled in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be assign unto you; Ye shall find the babe are controlled the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be assign unto you; Ye shall find the babe are controlled the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be assign unto you; Ye shall find the babe are controlled the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be assign unto you; Ye shall find the babe are controlled the city of the Lord came the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Home, also touched the city of the city morals as well. The City Ho

tally as to prevent the recurrence of any such dereliction in public duty.

All cities have a struggle with incompetence and worse, and Richmond is no exception. From time to time grave causes for complaint arise against the administration of this city's taffeirs, and till the millennium dawns offenses must needs come. But there is satisfaction for Richmond in the fact that distinct progress has been made in the last ten years in improving the conditions of the city government.

The City Almshouse has been a painful exception, but this institution is in rapid process of improvement.

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## Borrowed lingles

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Into many a store we wandered, Wife and I, and gravely pondered Over things that would have suited, bound,

Of these slopping tours, and weary?
Do you wonder that my teeth I've mad
ground?
When I thought she'd buy a present.
She remarked, in manner pleasant.
"No, it isn't what I want—I'll loo
around." —Detroit Free Press.

Modern Conventence. Knicker: "Do you think every man ha his price?"
Politician: "Yes, and it would save lot of trouble if they loft the tags on."-New York Sun.

Robbie (at the opera): "Mami

Mrs. de Flashleigh (dressing for charity bull): "It suppose I'll have to wear all my diamonds, Livingstone?" Mr. de Flashleigh: "Do as you please, dear, but If they fatigue you don't expect me to lug them around."—Puck.

Joax: "You shouldn't judge that man by he company that he keeps." Houx: "Why?" Joax: "Ho's the warden of the peniten-lary."—Detroit News.

UDGING by the bouquets the Solid Solis throwing to President elect Tart. Dies trying to make him forget and forgi-Washington Post.

## PERSONAL AND GENERAL

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"Only selfish people tip the porter" says a Pullman official, thus delivering a terrific rebuke to the traveling public.

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Berona are busy studying the language. A prince Buelow, the chancellor of Germany, in his speech in the keichstag at Barlin on December 7th, announced the fact that the governments of Germany, and "non-competitive" examination be held for the clerks who shall compile the statistics—that is, personal and political influence will award the appointment among the thousands of passing and that they could not complain therefore of having been taken by surprise. This confirms the assertion of the Austrian Foreign Minister, Buron Austrian Foreign Minister, Buron that an ordinary confligration of the country of having been taken by surprise. This confirms the assertion of the substitute word "non-competitive" stricken that an ordinary confligration of the statistics—that is, personal and political influence will award the appointment of having been taken by surprise. The same time places the word "non-competitive" stricken that an ordinary confligration of the statistics—that is, personal and political influence will award the appointment of having been taken by surprise. The same time places that they could not complete the statistics—that is, personal and political influence will award the appointment of having been taken by surprise. The same time places that they could not complete the statistics—that is, personal and political influence will award the appointment of having been taken by surprise. The same Horsellon to the statistics—that the governments of the statistics—that the governments of the same Horsellon that they

## The Courts of Europe

La Marquise de Fontenoy

lact, until he inherited a fortune about three years ago, when he promptly abandoned her, having no further need of her assistance. At the time when she married him, in 1891, she was one of the queens of comic opera, a name with which to conjure, on the Austrian, German and English stage, as Ilka.

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Count Eugene Kinsky had run through every cent of his fortune when she became his wife. In London she was quite as much of a social as an operatic success, and was frequently present at Mrs. Ronalds's Sunday afternoons, where she would sing, accompanied either by the late Sir Arthur Sullivan, who was one of her great friends and admirers, or by her husband, Count Kinsky, who had this in common with her, that he was a remarkable musician.

Before marrying her, Count Kinsky, had been jilted by his cousin, Countess Elizabeth Kinsky, daughter of the late Prince Rudolph Kinsky, chief of his house. The latter would not hear, however, of his daughter marrying a kinsman whom he regarded as very little better than illegitimate, declaring that he could not bear the idea of any grandchildren of his being barred from court and slighted in society in consequence of their father's mother having been a graduate from the laundry tubs.

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Consequently, Countess Elizabeth, who returned her cousin Eugene's affection, was compelled to break off her engagement to him and became instead the wife of Count John Wiltzek.

The present head of the Kinsky family, which traces its descent back in an unbroken line to the twelfth century, the title of Count of the Empire dating from the sixteenth century, and the princely rank from the beginning of the eighteenth century, is Prince Charles Kinsky, who has achieved distinction not only as a diplomat, but as one of the most famous gentlemen riders in Europe, and who while attached to the Austrian Embassy in London, won the great Liverpool steeplechase in 1883, with his mare Zoedone.

Prince Buelow, the chancellor of Germany, in his speech in the Reichstag at Berlin on December 7th, announced the

## POLICY IN THE FAR EAST.

## SOUIETY UNDER ROOSEVELT.

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Wents No Reciprocity Favors.

In our reduction in favor of Cuban sugar we throw away millions of revenue every year without saving any expenditure on the part of the people. Cuban sugars should pay the same tax as is paid by other sugars? As long as the home producers make far less than enough to supply the demand, the consumers will continue to pay more for sugar in the United States than the people of foreign countries pay. Some benefits from protection are includental to securing the revenue that the tax produces, but we should not tax the American people in the interest of foreigners; nor, after taxing the people, should we throw away the revenue in the interests of foreigners.—Fiorida Times-Union.

Where Are the Promisers?

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Was it only three short weeks ago that two great political parties were appealing to the people, each declaring that it alone would look after the public's interest? If the consumer lacks representation at the tariff hearing, where are the purveyors of those fine promises hiding?—New York Herald.

# Weak Little Boys

may become fine strong men. Some of the strong men of to-day were sickly boys years ago. Many of them received

## **Scott's Emulsion**

at their mother's knee. This had a power in it that changed them from weak, delicate boys into strong, robust boys.

It has the same power to-day, Boys and girls who are pale and weak get food and energy out of Scott's Emulsion. It makes children grow.

Send this advertisement, together with name of paper in which it appears, your address and few cents to cover postage, and we will send you a "Complete Handy Alias of the World" it it SCOTT & BOWNE, 400 Pearl Street. New York

## STATE PRESS

## North Carolina Press

his clerical companions, and always pleased with the devout echoes.—E. Lloyd Sheldon, in Collier's.

Mr. Roosevelt on China.

The awakening of China is one of the great events of our age, and the remedy for the "yollow perll," what ever that may be, is not the repression of life, but the cultivation and direction of life, but the cultivation and direction of life. Here at home we believe that the remedy for popular discontent is not repression, but justice and education. Similarly, the best way to expert possible perll, commercial or military, from the great Chinese people, is by behaving rightcously toward them, and by striving to inspire a German empire.—Falladelphia Record.

## REATING A "ROXANE."

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And Perbaps More.

Guilford county has saved several thousand dollars from its yearly expenses by putting its officials on a salary basis, and yet the officials are supposed to be getting all they are worth.—Durham Morning Herald.

Can't Hold Her Back.

We are "agin" night riding, but something sught to be done to those people who are continually persecuting Southern continually persecuting Southern continually are secuting southern with soft also be said of the muck-rakers who make a living by painting horrible conditions at sono ideal, but the muck dealers might find more to write about nearer home. The South, the industrial South, however, is "coming," in splic of the world, the finds and the men whe run the Federal government, and nothing can hold her back.—Lexington Dispatch.

For Protection, but Don't Know It.

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The Protestant minister was starting after his ball, which he had just driven, but he stopped to say: "A srievous error, indeed."

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